(b) whether it is a fact that some of these categories are not entitled to promotion through internal promotion; and

(c) if so, the details thereof along with justification, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) The following are the different categories of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas:

(i) Post Graduate Teacher

(ii) Trained Graduate Teacher

(iii) Primary Teacher

(iv) Music Teacher

(v) Physical Education Teacher

(vi) Drawing Teacher

(vii) Work Experience Teacher

(viii) Home Science Teacher

(ix) Yoga Teacher

(b) and (c) For categories indicated at (iv) to (ix) above, at present, there are no posts at higher levels in Kendriya Vidyalayas where internal promotions can be effected.

Demand to exempt PH.D/M.Phil holders from U.G.C. eligibility test

2195. SHRI JOY NADUKKARA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any demand for exempting the M.Phil/Ph.D holders from appearing at the U.G.C. eligibility test is pending;

(b) the minimum qualifications at present for appearing in the test; and

(c) whether the request for exemption from the test from Ph.D/M.Phil holders shall be considered favourably?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Good academic record with at least 55% marks or equivalent Grade at Master's Degree level in the relevant subject from an Indian University or an equivalent degree from a foreign university.

(c) The matter is under consideration of the Pay Review Committee of the University Grants Commission.

Recruitment Procedure for Education Officers in KVS

2196. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 56 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st February, 1997 and state:

(a) the recruitment procedure such as eligibility, qualifications, experience, tests etc. for recruitment of Education Officers through open competition;

(b) the ratio of marks earmarked for written tests and interviews; and

(c) how does this procedure differ from recruitment procedure set out for other Group 'A' posts such as A.C., DC & JC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) The essential qualifications and age limit for the post of Education Officer to be filled by direct recruitment are as under:

(i) Master's degree with minimum 55% marks.

AGE: 45 years (relaxable for Central/State Government KVS/Other Autonomous Bodies employees upto 5 years.
Relaxable for 05 years for SC/ST & 3 years for O.B.C.)

(b) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has intimated that for filling up posts of Education Officer by direct recruitment, selection is made on the basis of performance in written test as well as interview. Short-listing of candidates is done on the

basis of written test and the final list is prepared on the basis of the combined merit of written test and interview.

(c) There is no direct recruitment at the level of Deputy Commissioners and Joint Commissioners. For the post of Assistant Commissioners, as the number of applications received is not large short-listing is done on the basis of qualifications and experience in the related fields.

Indian Students sent abroad for Higher Education

2197. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students sponsored for higher education from our country to different countries during the Year 1994-95 and 1995-96 under different sponsorship programmes, state-wise; and

(b) the number of students from other countries sponsored under the said schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA):

(a) I. **Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Education**

Number of students sent for higher education to defferent countries under different scholarship programmes

Sl.No.	Country/Programme	1994-95	1995-96
1.	Commonwealth Scholarships/ Fellowships Plan		
	(a) United Kingdom	39	29
	(b) Newzealand	1	—
	(c) Canada	—	1
2.	Nehru Centenary British Fellowships/Scholarships (UK)	9	3
3.	Confederation of British Industry Overseas Scholarships (UK)	3	3
4.	Australian Development Cooperation Scholarships	26	21
5.	German Academic Exchange Service Scholarships	10	16
6.	Japan Government Scholarships	15	13
7.	Norway (NORAD)	8	—
8.	Scholarships offered under Cultural Exchange Programme	33	29
II.	**Ministry of Welfare**		
	National Overseas Scholarships for SC/ST etc. candidates	20	21